

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, August 20th, 1868.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

Prayer by the Rev. G. W. Welker.

Mr. Moore, of Carteret, presented a petition from B. Chadwick and others.

Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Engrossed H. 120. A bill to punish bribery and coercion in elections, was taken up and read second time.

Mr. Robbins moved to refer to the Judiciary Committee, with instructions.

On this motion, the yeas and nays were granted.

The motion did not prevail by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Lindsay, Melchor, Osborne, Purdie, Robbins, Welker and Wilson—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Barrow, Beasley, Bellamy, Brogden, Burns, Blythe, Cook, Davis, Eppes, Forkner, Hayes, Harrington, Hyman, Jones of Wake, Lassiter, Legg, Long, Martindale, Moore of Carteret, Rich, Richardson, Shoffner, White, Wynne and Winstead—25.

After considerable discussion, Mr. Moore, of Carteret, called the previous question.

The call was sustained.

The bill passed second reading.

Mr. Osborne moved to make the bill a Special Order for to-morrow at ten o'clock.

Mr. Shoffner moved to make it a Special Order for the evening session.

The motion of Mr. Osborne prevailed.

The following bills and resolutions, having been reported as being properly enrolled, were ratified by the President:

A bill to provide for funding the matured interest on the public debt.